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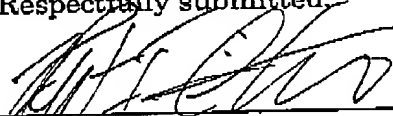
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Sir:

In support of the claim of priority of prior foreign application No. 11-057993, filed in Japan on March 5, 1999, filed herewith is a certified copy and a verified translation of the original foreign application.

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